

Increasing Milk Production/Re-Lactation Guidance

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- 1. If you are partially breastfeeding, offer feedings more often to increase milk production (8-12 feedings, hand expression, or pumping sessions) every 24 hours.
- 2. Consider relactation. Relactation is the process by which a parent reestablishes lactation after having stopped for some time (weeks or even months). More information: CDC Guidance Supporting Families with Relactation.
- 3. If you're interested in starting to breastfeed and/or increasing your breastmilk production, talk with your healthcare provider about a referral to a breastfeeding expert (lactation consultant). Breastfeeding experts can be found at these three breastfeeding medicine clinics in Virginia.

<u>Children's Hospital of Richmond Lactation Clinic</u>: 804-828-CHOR (2467)

<u>Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters Breastfeeding Medicine</u>: 757-668-6984

<u>University of Virginia Breastfeeding Medicine Clinic</u>: 434-924-0000

Additional Resources:

Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine Statement on shortage of breastmilk substitutes USLCA's Find An IBCLC® Directory
Find A Lactation Consultant